

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

LISTING OF CLAIMS:

1. (canceled)
2. (currently amended) An aid as claimed in claim [[1]] 7, wherein the first and second facsimile bone portions are first and second joint portions capable of being manipulated relative to one another to mimic the action of a skeletal joint.
3. (currently amended) An aid as claimed in claim [[1]] 7, wherein the holding means comprises an adjustable ball and socket joint and a locking mechanism for locking the ball and socket joint when the first shaft portion is in the required position.
4. (currently amended) An aid as claimed in claim [[1]] 7, wherein the first bone portion is detachably secured to the first shaft portion to enable replacement of the first bone portion.
5. (canceled)

6. (currently amended) An aid as claimed in claim [[5]] 7, wherein the first shaft portion has the form of an upper leg and the second shaft portion has the form of a lower leg and foot.

7. (currently amended) ~~An aid as claimed in claim 5, wherein~~
An orthopaedic demonstration aid for demonstrating surgical orthopaedic techniques, the aid comprising first and second facsimile bone portions, an elongate first shaft portion to one end of which the first bone portion is secured, an elongate second shaft portion to one end of which the second bone portion is detachably secured, adjustable holding means for holding a part of the first shaft portion remotely of said one end in a required position such that the first bone portion is at the correct anatomical orientation for the purposes of the required surgical orthopaedic procedure and releasable securing means is
~~provided~~ for holding a part of the second shaft portion remotely of said one end in a required position such that the second bone portion is at the correct anatomical orientation for the purposes of the required surgical orthopaedic procedure.

8. (currently amended) ~~An aid as claimed in claim 7,~~ An orthopaedic demonstration aid for demonstrating surgical orthopaedic techniques, the aid comprising first and second facsimile bone portions, an elongate first shaft portion to one end of which the first bone portion is secured, an elongate

second shaft portion to one end of which the second bone portion
is detachably secured, adjustable holding means for holding a
part of the first shaft portion remotely of said one end in a
required position such that the first bone portion is at the
correct anatomical orientation for the purposes of the required
surgical orthopaedic procedure, and releasable securing means for
holding a part of the second shaft portion remotely of said one
end in a required position such that the second bone portion is
at the correct anatomical orientation for the purposes of the
required surgical orthopaedic procedure wherein the releasable
securing means comprises a foot plate for releasable attachment
to a fixed support and detachable connection means for connecting
said part of the second shaft portion to the foot plate, the
detachable connection means ~~comprising~~ comprising a series of
connection points spaced apart on the foot plate to which said
part of the second shaft portion is selectively connectable.

9. (canceled)

10. (currently amended) An aid as claimed in claim ~~[[9]]~~ 14,
wherein the ligament means has lateral portions resiliently held
under tension.

11. (original) An aid as claimed in claim 10, wherein adjustable tensioning means are provided to which the lateral portions are releasably attachable.

12. (original) An aid as claimed in claim 11, wherein the tensioning means comprises at least one adjusting screw threaded through a support flange and having an end part to which one of the lateral portions is releasably attachable.

13. (canceled)

14. (currently amended) ~~An aid as claimed in claim 13,~~ An orthopaedic skeletal joint demonstration aid for demonstrating surgical orthopaedic techniques, the aid comprising first and second facsimile joint portions capable of being manipulated relative to one another to mimic the action of a skeletal joint, and adjustable facsimile ligament means extending through passages in the first and second joint portions and securing the joint portions together wherein the ligament means forms a continuous loop extending through a passage in the second joint portion and having lateral portions extending through respective passages in the first joint portion into a central duct opening outwardly of the first joint portion.

15-16. (canceled)

17. (currently amended) An orthopaedic skeletal joint demonstration aid for demonstrating surgical orthopaedic techniques, the aid comprising first and second facsimile joint portions positioned relative to one another to mimic the action of a skeletal joint, ~~and an elongate first shaft portion to one end of which the first joint portion~~ being formed with an axial connector part for detachably secured by a connector part engaging securing the first joint portion to one end of an elongate first shaft portion and shaped to engage within ~~[[is]]~~ [[a]] an axial receiving passage in the first shaft portion in such a manner as to resist axial rotation of the first joint portion relative to the first shaft portion.

18. (currently amended) An aid as claimed in claim 17, wherein ~~an elongate second shaft portion is provided to one end of which the second joint portion is detachably secured by a connector part engaging~~ the second joint portion is formed with a connector part for detachably securing the first joint portion to one end of an elongate first shaft portion and shaped to engage within a receiving passage in the second shaft portion in such a manner as to resist axial rotation of the second joint portion relative to the second shaft portion.

19. (currently amended) An ~~orthopaedic skeletal joint demonstration aid for demonstrating surgical orthopaedic techniques, the aid comprising at least one facsimile joint portion, an elongate shaft portion to one end of which the joint portion is secured,~~ aid as claimed in claim 17, further comprising facsimile ligament means connected to the joint portion, and quick release means for releasing the joint portion and the ligament means from the shaft portion when the joint portion and the ligament means are to be replaced for a new surgical orthopaedic procedure.

20. (currently amended) An ~~orthopaedic demonstration aid for demonstrating surgical orthopaedic techniques, the aid comprising at least one facsimile joint portion, and~~ aid as claimed in claim 17, further comprising a facsimile soft tissue portion overlying the joint portion.

21. (original) An aid as claimed in claim 20, wherein the soft tissue portion is held in tension over the joint portion.

22. (previously presented) An aid as claimed in claim 20, wherein the soft tissue portion is detachably attached to the aid to permit it to be replaced.